

CSWC Operational Period Summary

1800 August 13 2015 to 0600 August 14 2015



Streaks from the Perseid Meteor Shower over the Jerusalem Fire, Lake County

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Note: [Report changes/updates are in blue](#)



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SITUATION SUMMARY

National News – Significant Events

Kerry to Strike Delicate Balance in Havana Trip for Embassy Flag-Raising

(NY Times) Secretary of State John Kerry will arrive in Cuba on Friday morning to attend a flag-raising ceremony at the American Embassy and to give a lift to the effort to rebuild ties after more than half a century of hostility. But Mr. Kerry's visit — the first by a secretary of state since Edward R. Stettinius Jr. made a short trip to Havana in 1945 — also reflects the balance that the Obama administration is trying to strike between working with an authoritarian government and supporting Cuba's beleaguered dissidents. The morning's highlight will be the carefully choreographed ceremony at the embassy, which was officially opened last month. Richard Blanco, a Cuban-American poet who read a poem at President Obama's swearing-in after the 2012 election, becoming the first openly gay person to deliver such a reading, will recite one of his works before Mr. Kerry speaks. Three retired Marines who lowered the American flag when the embassy was closed in 1961 will present another to be raised by the Marines now assigned to the diplomatic post. (Unlike the Cubans, who opened their embassy last month in Washington by displaying the very flag they took down more than half a century ago, the Americans are using a new one.) The United States Army Brass Quintet will play the Cuban and American national anthems. John Kerry's visit to Cuba will be the first by a secretary of state since Edward R. Stettinius Jr. made a short trip to Havana in 1945. The embassy ceremony, which will be streamed live on the State Department website, will be attended by ranking Cuban and American officials, United States lawmakers and some private citizens, but no Cuban dissidents. In the afternoon, Mr. Kerry will have an opportunity to talk with Cuban human rights proponents and political activists at a reception at the official residence of Jeffrey DeLaurentis, who is serving as the top American diplomat in Cuba until an ambassador is nominated and confirmed. During his nearly 12 hours in Havana, Mr. Kerry will also meet with Foreign Minister Bruno Rodríguez, who will join him for a news conference, and with Cardinal Jaime Ortega, who played a role in the back-channel talks on restoring relations. Mr. Kerry — who was busy lobbying on behalf of the Iran nuclear deal when the embassy opened last month — does not plan to meet with President Raúl Castro or his brother, former President Fidel Castro.

International News – Significant Events

China explosions: Fires still burning after Tianjin blasts

(BBC) Fires are still burning at the site of two massive explosions in the Chinese city of Tianjin, some 36 hours after the blasts. Military chemical experts are testing for toxic gases and rescuers have been told to wear protective clothing. At least 56 people died and more than 720 were injured, 25 critically and 33 seriously, in the explosions late on Wednesday evening, officials said. But search teams did find one survivor in the debris early on Friday. The man pulled from the rubble 32 hours after the blast was named as 19-year-old firefighter Zhou Ti, state-run news agency Xinhua reported. Twenty-one firefighters are reported to be among the dead and several more are missing. Fire crews were already at the site when the explosions took place, having been called out after reports of a container fire. Tianjin's fire department chief Zhou Tian told reporters that more than 1,000 firefighters and 140 fire engines were at the site on Friday. The Tianjin Port Group Company said dozens of its employees remained unaccounted for, according to Xinhua.

SITUATION SUMMARY

SOC Activation for California Wildfires

- The State Operations Center (SOC) is activated at Level 3 from 0500-2100 hours due to the wildfires burning throughout California.
- The Coastal REOC is activated at Level 2 from 0900-1900 hours and Level 1 from 1900-0900 hours.
- The Inland REOC is activated at Level 1.

Weather of Concern

- A sharp warming trend will continue through this weekend as high pressure builds over California, with above-normal temperatures expected in many locations. The hottest conditions will be Friday through Sunday. During this time, maximum temperatures for the inland coastal areas will range from 85-95 degrees, while the valleys and the desert will be 100-108 degrees. Several degrees of cooling is possible by Monday, but overall temperatures will remain above normal in most places. An additional few degrees of cooling is expected Tuesday into Wednesday.

Active Weather Warnings, Watches and Advisories by County:

http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/www_bc_cal.php

WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND CENTRAL COASTAL AREAS:

Eureka Weather:

Low pressure will lift out of the area today allowing for high pressure to build in from the desert southwest. This will bring a warming and drying trend for the weekend.

Medford Weather:

The upper low located just off the Oregon coast will move inland today. The main concern from this will be gusty winds along and east of the Cascades, especially near and at the ridges and in the morning. As the upper low moves overhead this afternoon, winds should decrease some, but not much due to daytime heating allowing some of the stronger winds aloft to mix down. However, humidities should be on the rise, so red flag conditions are not expected to be met.

Reno Weather:

Breezy conditions will persist this afternoon with areas of critical fire weather conditions and hazardous boating still possible across far northeast California. Hot and dry weather will continue this weekend with clear skies and lighter winds. Another dry low pressure system is possible early next week which may provide another increase in winds.

San Francisco Weather:

High pressure will move over the state from the desert southwest resulting in a warming and drying trend beginning today and continuing through the weekend. The warmest two days will be Saturday and Sunday. A cooling trend is then slated for next week.

WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA AND SOUTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY:

Sacramento Weather:

Dry weather with sunny skies expected into next week. Breezy southwest winds at times through this evening mainly in the mountains. Temperatures will warm well above normal this weekend with triple digit highs for the Valley followed by gradual cooling next week.

Hanford Weather:

Dry weather can be expected over the central California interior for the next several days. Temperatures will be near seasonable levels today then warm to well above normal this weekend as a strong ridge of high pressure builds over the state.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:

Los Angeles Weather:

Strong high pressure aloft will bring hot weather through the weekend. Daily high temperature records may be broken in some areas each day. An upper low moving through the Pacific Northwest will bring some cooling beginning on Monday. The cooling trend will continue into midweek with temperatures returning to near normal levels.

Extreme Southwestern California including Orange, San Diego, Western Riverside and Southwestern San Bernardino Counties:

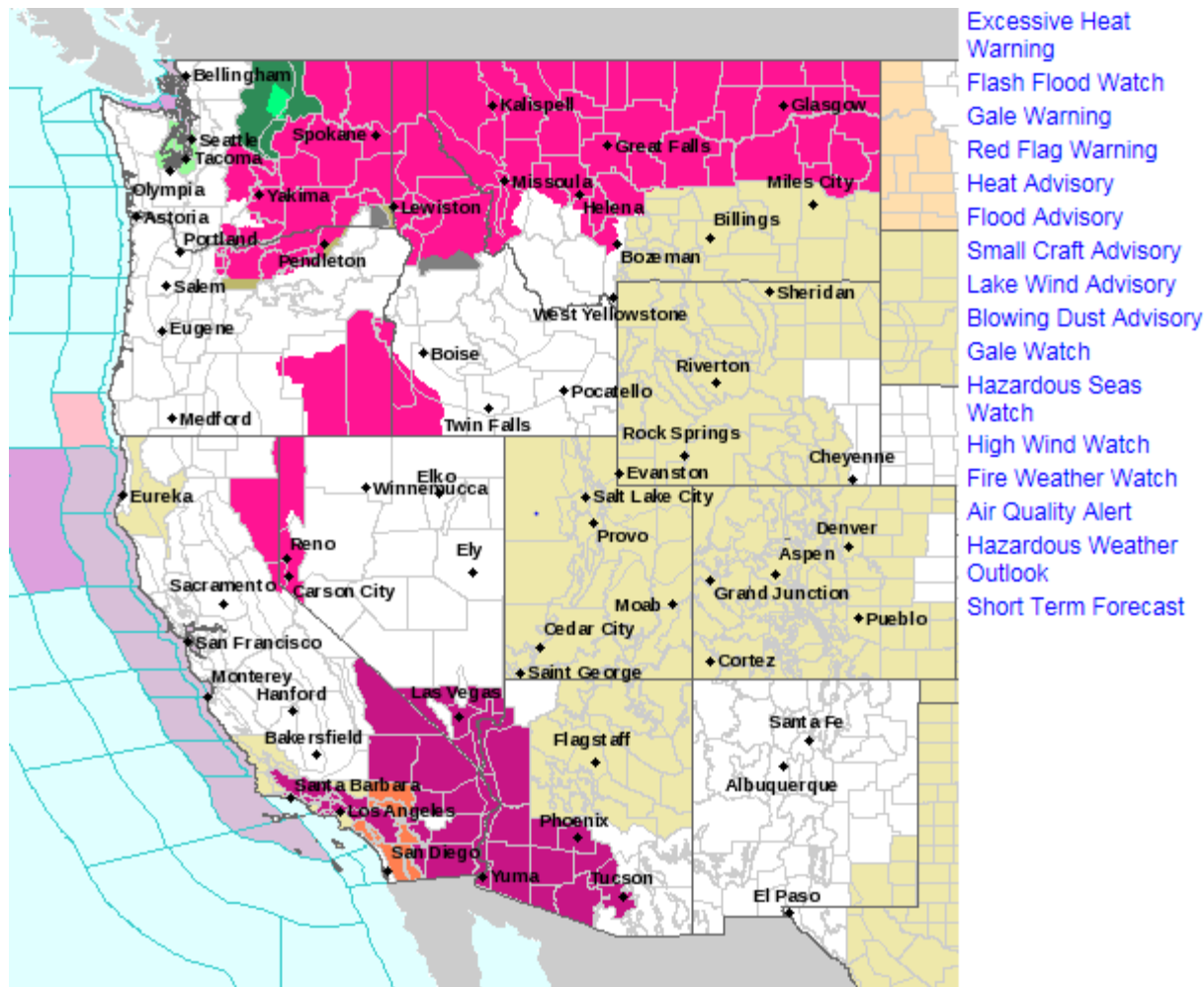
Strong high pressure will bring very hot weather inland through Monday. Some mid-level moisture from the south will bring a slight chance of afternoon and early evening thunderstorms mainly to the mountains again today and Saturday. High pressure will weaken Tuesday and result in a cooling trend with a return to coastal night and morning low clouds and occasionally gusty west winds in the mountains and deserts.

Southeast California Weather:

Drier air will continue to overspread today through the weekend. This will bring about a decline in precipitation chances and a return to very hot daytime temperatures and excessive heat each day through the weekend. Afternoon highs will retreat somewhat early next week as limited monsoon moisture returns to the area.



STATE WEATHER MAP



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SITUATION SUMMARY

NOTE: Detailed Fire Information will be reported in a Cal OES/Cal Fire Joint Report daily at 0900 hours and 2000 hours

FIRES, NORTHERN OPERATIONS AREA

Active

- Fork Complex, Vegetation Fire, Trinity County
- Humboldt Complex, Vegetation Fire, Humboldt County
- Mad River Complex, Vegetation Fire, Trinity County
- River Complex, Vegetation Fire, Trinity County
- Rocky, Vegetation Fire, Lake County
- Dodge, Vegetation Fire, Lassen County
- South Complex, Vegetation Fire, Trinity County
- Gasquet Complex, Vegetation Fire, Del Norte County
- Route Complex, Vegetation Fire, Del Norte County
- Nickowitz, Vegetation Fire, Del Norte County
- Jerusalem, Vegetation Fire, Lake County

New

- [Mark 2, Vegetation Fire, Calaveras County](#)

Final

- None

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FIRES, SOUTHERN OPERATIONS AREA

Active

- Cabin, Vegetation Fire, Tulare County
- Rough, Vegetation Fire, Fresno County
- Anza, Vegetation Fire, Riverside County
- Eagle 2, Vegetation Fire, Mono County
- Horno, Vegetation Fire, San Diego County

Final

- None

FIRE ACTIVITY



Preparedness Levels

National Preparedness Level 4

Northern California

Preparedness Level 5, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 3

Southern California

Preparedness Level 3, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

California Fire Potential & Weather Maps

Southern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/8>

Northern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/10>

California Fire Weather Map Watches and Warnings

<http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/firewx/main.php>

NWS California River Forecast Center:

<http://www.cnrfc.noaa.gov/>

CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- The SOC is activated in support of the Drought State of Emergency and continue to monitor the situation.
- The Governor issued Executive Order B-26-14 on 09/19/14, to streamline relief efforts for families with drinking water shortages due to drought, specifically through the California Disaster Assistance Act, to provide temporary water supplies to households without water for drinking and/or sanitation purposes.
- The Governor issued Executive Order B-29-15 on 04/01/15 which announced actions that will save water, increase enforcement to prevent wasteful water use, streamline the state's drought response and invest in new technologies to make California more drought resilient.
- CDAA 2014 Drought Fact Sheet and Frequently Asked Questions provided to Regions for reference and distribution.
- Cal OES Recovery continues to coordinate the Community Impacts Workgroup conference calls. Currently, the calls take place on alternating Wednesdays.
- Cal OES Recovery/Individual Assistance finalized an updated 2015 version of the drought brochure of programs and services for individuals, businesses, farmers, and ranchers. It has been put on the Governor's Drought webpage. State agencies may put the following link to the brochure on their webpage <http://ca.gov/drought/pdf/Drought-Assistance-Brochure-2015.pdf>
- Cal OES Regions (Inland, Coastal, Southern) collective OA drought call is facilitated by the SOC every Monday at 1100 hours.

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Local Emergency Proclamations:

A total of 60 local Emergency Proclamations have been received to date from city, county, and tribal governments, as well as special districts:

- 27 Counties: Butte, El Dorado, Fresno, Glenn, Inyo, Humboldt, Kern, Kings, Lake, Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Modoc, Plumas, San Bernardino, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Shasta, Siskiyou, Sonoma, Stanislaus, Sutter, Trinity, Tulare, Tuolumne, and Yuba.
- 12 Cities: City of Live Oak (Sutter County), City of Lodi (San Joaquin County), City of Manteca (San Joaquin County), City of Montague (Siskiyou County), City of Porterville (Tulare County), City of Portola (Plumas County), City of Ripon (San Joaquin County), City of San Juan Bautista (San Benito County), City of Santa Barbara (Santa Barbara County), City of Rancho Cucamonga (San Bernardino County) and City of West Sacramento (Yolo County) and City of Willits (Mendocino County).
- 9 Tribes: Cortina Indian Rancheria (Colusa County), Hoopa Valley Tribe (Humboldt County), Karuk Tribe (Siskiyou/Humboldt Counties), Kashia Band of Pomo Indians of the Stewarts Point Rancheria (Sonoma County), Picayune Rancheria of Chukchansi Indians (Madera County) Sherwood Valley Pomo Indian Tribe (Mendocino County), Tule River Indian Tribe (Tulare County), Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation (Yolo County), and Yurok Tribe (Humboldt County).
- 12 Special Districts: Carpinteria Valley Water District (Santa Barbara County), Goleta Water District (Santa Barbara County), Groveland Community Services District (Tuolumne County), Lake Don Pedro Community Services District (Mariposa Stanislaus County), Mariposa Public Utility District (Mariposa County), Meiners Oaks Water District (Ventura County), Montecito Water District (Santa Barbara County), Mountain House Community Service District (San Joaquin County), Nevada Irrigation District (Nevada County), Placer County Water Agency (Placer County), Tuolumne Utilities District (Tuolumne County), and Twain Harte Community Services District (Tuolumne County).

CAL OES MISSIONS

Ongoing Cal OES Missions

- **2015-LAW-14579 08/01/15, 1220 hours:** Kern County Sheriff requested assistance in the search for a homicide suspect in the Kelso Creek area of Kern County. This has been a long, complex search involving several hundred personnel from Kern County. In addition, LA Sheriff has provided significant personnel and aircraft to the search. Additional personnel and/or equipment has been provided by Fresno County Sheriff, Tulare County Sheriff, San Bernardino County Sheriff, Orange County Sheriff, Stanislaus County Sheriff, Federal Bureau of Investigation, US Marshals Service, California National Guard, US Customs and Border Protection, Anaheim Police Department and the Governor's Office of Emergency Services. The search continues and additional resource requests are anticipated. See Cal OES's Web EOC entries for more details. **Update 08/12/15, 2146 hour.,** Suspect has been identified and name released to media. Searches continue with additional helicopter resources from CHP and Ventura County **Update 08/13/15, 0800:** Search continues with the addition of aviation assets from CHP and Ventura County. **Mission On-going**
- **2013-LAW-1563 07/23/15, 1225 hours:** Plumas County Sheriffs Office (PCSO) has requested Human Remains Detection K9 to search a specific site regarding a 30 year old cold case. LDO contacted K9 Coordinator who is currently securing K9 handlers from a team located out of Santa Clara County. PCSO has asked for two separate search dates to confirm any potential findings. Timeline for search efforts: August 1 - 6, 2015, Cal OES is currently working on securing these resources
- **2015-LAW-14555 08/03/15, 0800 hours, Update 8/12/15:** Several of the fires within the complexes have been merged, with one fire, the Pelletreau (South Complex Fire), being moved into the Route Fire Complex and merged into the Johnson Fire. Windy conditions and overstretched fire resources has necessitated LE to assist with dynamic road closures lasting up to an hour or so. Trinity County Sheriffs Office is in the process of coordinating with the 5 Fire Complex Security Managers to capture thefts of fire equipment and fuel. Currently thefts of Diesel (approx. 200 gallons), New Batteries, New Fire Engine Tires (4) and a Water pump have been reported. The water pump was one of 42 that were ordered for the fire, Fire was only able to secure 17 of these pumps so the loss of this pump has exacerbated this situation. **Mission On-going**

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Closed Cal OES Missions

- **2015-LAW-15414 08/13/2015, 1430 hours:** IERCC advising a Delorme SOS activation at GPS coordinates 37.50.12N 119.22.14W, which plotted near Elizabeth Lake inside Yosemite. **Update: 08/13/15 1952 hours,** [Yosemite National Parks Service advised they found the injured hiker deceased. IERCC updated. Mission Closed.](#)
- **2015-LAW-15388 08/12/15, 1530 hours:** International Emergency Coordination Center (IERCC) is reporting a DeLorme device sounding in the Sequoia-Kings National Park. They are reporting a coordinates 36.504618 N, -118.535957 W. Sequoia-Kings Park Rangers (SKPR) located the registered owner (R/O) of the device. **Update:** 08/12/15, 1630 hours., SKPR located the registered owner of the device who is reporting that a 72 y/o male had walked away from there base camp and has been missing for 5 hours. SKPR is conducting a search for the missing hiker. Update 8/13/15 1919 hours: [SKNP advised that they have located the missing person \(MP\) in good condition. Rangers will camp with the MP and walk him out in the morning. Mission Closed](#)
- **2015-LAW-15223 08/09/15, 1600 hours:** International Emergency Coordination Center (IERCC) is reporting a DeLorme device sounding in the Sequoia-Kings National Park. They are reporting coordinates 36.5968 N, -118.549712 W. Sequoia-Kings Park Rangers (SKPR) located R/O of the device who was suffering from Altitude sickness. SKPR will attempt to walk R/O out on Monday, 08/10/15 at first light. **Mission Closed.**



Mission:

We protect lives and property, build capabilities, and support our communities for a resilient California.

We achieve our mission by serving the public through effective collaboration in preparing for, protecting against, responding to, recovering from, and mitigating the impacts of all hazards and threats.